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SUBJECT: PRESS COVERAGE OF HARTMAN'S MEETING WITH FOREIGN MINISTER  
BITSIOS

1. ALL MORNING AND AFTERNOON ATHENS NEWSPAPERS APRIL 25  
CARRIED REPORTS ON ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN'S MEETING  
WITH FOREIGN MINISTER BITSIOS PREVIOUS DAY. HARTMAN WAS  
QUOTED AS DESCRIBING HIS DISCUSSIONS WITH GOG OFFICIALS  
AS "INTERESTING AND USEFUL," AND ADDED THAT U.S. STANDS  
READY TO ASSIST IN FINDING SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEMS OF  
THE REGION.

2. IN RESPONSE TO NEWSMEN'S QUESTIONS, HARTMAN STATED  
THAT NO DISCUSSION WAS HELD CONCERNING A MEETING BETWEEN  
THE PRIME MINISTERS OF GREECE AND TURKEY, THAT HE HIMSELF  
HAD NO PLANS TO MEET PRIME MINISTER CARAMANLIS IN COURSE  
THIS VISIT, AND THAT HIS DISCUSSIONS WITH GREEK OFFICIALS  
HAD INCLUDED A REVIEW OF A WHOLE SERIES OF MATTERS INCLUDING  
TOPICS WHICH HAD BEEN EXAMINED DURING HIS VISIT IN MARCH.

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3. A SAMPLING OF HEADLINES FOLLOWS: "AMERICANS WILLING TO

ASSIST IN CYPRUS QUESTION" (AKROPOLIS); "CLIMATE OF RELATIONS  
WITH TURKEY IMPROVING" (KATHIMERINI); "IMPROVEMENT OF GREEK-  
TURKISH RELATIONS WAS THE GOAL OF HARTMAN'S MISSION" (TA NEA);  
"HARTMAN DEPARTS AGAIN FOR TURKEY" (TO VIMA); "HARTMAN DEPARTED,  
CARAMANLIS HELD A CONVERSATION WITH BALL" (VRADYNI). (FORMER  
UNDER SECRETARY BALL WAS HERE BRIEFLY APRIL 22-24 EN ROUTE TO  
BILDEBERG CONFERENCE NEAR IZMIR AND MET WITH PM AND SEVERAL  
OTHER GOG OFFICIALS DURING HIS STAY.)  
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